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SUBJECT: ZAYYAT STATEMENT DURING ROME STOPOVER

1. ACCORDING WIRE SERVICE REPORT, EGYPTIAN FOREIGN MINISTER  
ZAYYAT TRANSITED ROME OCTOBER 29 ENROUTE FROM NEW YORK TO CAIRO  
FOR FUNERAL OF HIS FATHER-IN-LAW TAHA HUSSEIN.

2. IN STATEMENT RELEASED TO PRESS AT AIRPORT, ZAYYAT SAID THAT  
REGARDING MID-EAST PEACE PROSPECTS, EGYPT WILL RESPECT FULLY  
SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION OF OCTOBER 22. ZAYYAT OBSERVED THAT  
HE WAS NOT UP-TO-DATE ON RECENT EVENTS, BUT "I AM CONVINCED THAT  
AN EFFECTIVE TRUCE CAN BE HAD ONLY IF ISRAEL DECIDES TO ACT  
IN GOOD FAITH." ACCORDING ZAYYAT, ROAD TOWARD A REAL PEACE IS  
STILL "LONG AND DIFFICULT", AND "I CAN'T SAY THAT I AM EITHER  
OPTIMISTIC OR PESSIMISTIC AS SUCH WORDS HAVE LITTLE  
MEANING IN POLITICS. I ONLY HOPE THAT OUR ADVERSARIES WILL TAKE  
ACCOUNT OF OUR TRUE WILL FOR PEACE. OUR POINT OF VIEW IS ALREADY  
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UNIVERSALLY KNOWN, AND ISRAEL WILLINGLY OR UNWILLINGLY MUST

NEGOTIATE ON THE BASIS OF THE RESOLUTION OF 1967."

3. IN RESPONSE TO QUESTION ON POSSIBILITY OF IMMEDIATE OPENING  
OF PEACE NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN ARABS AND ISRAELIS, ZAYYAT ANSWERED  
THAT HE DID NOT RPT NOT EXCLUDE IT, BUT HE CONSIDERED THAT SUCH  
TALK WAS FOR NOW AT LEAST PREMATURE. VOLPE UNQUOTE  
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